



## ***LEGISLATIVE UPDATE 4/28/06***

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The Senate spent the week debating the budget and on Thursday approved a \$6.5 billion state budget. The plan increases funding for schools, colleges and health care costs. The Senate budget plan also includes millions of dollars for local projects in the state such as streetscaping, water and sewer projects and road improvements.

**H.5064, *J.E. Smith***, this bill would delete the authority of the Richland County Recreation Commission to levy ad valorem property taxes upon taxable property for operating or capital purposes and to issue general obligation bonds or revenue bonds of the district and the authority will be transferred to the Richland County Council. The bill was placed on the calendar without reference.

**H.3184, *Harrison***, is a bill that provides appeals from the ALJ involving DHEC may be appealed to the Court of Appeals. The bill streamlines the appeal process cutting out a second opportunity for the DHEC board to review action on permits. The bill was ratified.

***Thank You, to all SPD's who attended a successful  
2006 Leadership Program!***